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FOLLOWING LETTER FROM HOLT AND MAGNUSON TO MOISEEV AT
EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY:

(BEGIN TEXT)
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DEAR DR. MOISEEV:

AT THE FIRST BIOLOGICAL WORKING GROUP MEETING IN MOSCOW,
DECEMBER 1975, AT THE SECOND MEETING IN BEAUFORT, AND AGAIN
AT THE THIRD MEETING IN MOSCOW THIS FEBRUARY, WE EMPHASIZED
OUR HESITANCY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE "REACTIONS TO INTRO-

DUCTIONS OF NEW SPECIES" (06.050302) TOPIC AREA EXCEPT AS IT APPLIED INTELLECTUALLY TO THE TOPIC AREA "ECOLOGICAL

PROCESSES OF PREDATORS AND GRAZERS" (06.050204). THIS IS STILL THE U.S. WORKING GROUP POSITION.

THEREFORE, IN RESPONSE TO YOUR 15 MAY 1977 LETTER ON A SYMPOSIUM IN TALLINN, OCTOBER 1977, OUR PRIMARY INTERESTS WOULD BE IN THE PHYSIOLOGY OF ORGANISMS ACCLIMATING TO NEW HABITATS AND IN THE ECOLOGY OF MARINE COASTAL ENVIRONMENTS AS RELATED TO PAST SPECIES INTRODUCTIONS. WE WILL NOT INVOLVE OURSELVES IN A SPECIES EXCHANGE PROGRAM AND HAVE NO INTEREST IN ITEMS 5 AND 6 ON PAGES 1 AND 2 OF YOUR LETTER.

WE COULD LEARN MUCH AT THE PROPOSED SYMPOSIUM CONCERNING THE PHYSIOLOGICAL ECOLOGY OF INTRODUCED SPECIES AND THE IMPACT ON NATURAL COMMUNITIES OF INTRODUCED SPECIES, BOTH OF WHICH RELATE TO THE "ECOLOGICAL PROCESSES OF PREDATORS AND GRAZERS" (06.050204). WE STILL FEEL THAT THE TOPIC ON "INTRODUCTION OF NEW SPECIES" (06.050302) SHOULD BE DELETED AND APPROPRIATE SUBJECT MATTER INCLUDED IN "ECOLOGICAL PROCESSES OF PREDATORS AND GRAZERS" (06.0502-04).

IF YOU STILL AGREE ON THESE POINTS, AS DISCUSSED AT THE UNCLASSIFIED

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THIRD WORKING GROUP MEETING IN MOSCOW THIS FEBRUARY, WE CAN DISCUSS DETAILS OF A SYMPOSIUM.

A LIST OF POSSIBLE PARTICIPANTS AND RESEARCH PAPERS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. DR. JOHN DUPUY, VIRGINIA INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE, GLOUCESTER POINT, VIRGINIA. PROBLEMS WITH INTRODUCTIONS OF MARINE MOLLUSCS.
2. DR. WILLIAM HARGIS, VIRGINIA INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE, GLOUCESTER POINT, VIRGINIA. THE PARASITE PROBLEMS WITH INTRODUCED SPECIES .
3. DR. JAMES KITCHELL, LABORATORY OF LIMNOLOGY, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN, MADISON, WISCONSIN. USE OF A MODEL TO PREDICT GROWTH OF FISH IN NEW HABITATS.
4. DR. TED HOBSON, NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE, TIBURON, CALIFORNIA. SPECIES INTERACTIONS IN MARINE COASTAL HABITATS.

5. DR. JOHN J. MAGNUSON, LABORATORY OF LIMNOLOGY,
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN, MADISON, WISCONSIN. ROLE OF
PREDATION, GRAZING, AND HERBIVORY IN REGULATING COMMUNITY

STRUCTURE.

6. DR. CONRAD MIENKIN, NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES
SERVICE, MONTLAKE BOULEVARD, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON.
EXPERIENCE WITH PEN CULTURE OF SALMONIDS IN PUGET SOUND.

7. MR. TOM RUSSEL, MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION,
COLUMBIA, MISSOURI. THE BIOLOGY AND CULTURE OF
POLYDONTIDAE.

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8. DR. ROBERT J. VALENTI, MULTI-AQUACULTURE SYSTEMS,
CRASSEN BOULEVARD, P.O. BOX 679, AMAGANSETT, NEW YORK.
NET PEN CULTURE OF STRIPED BASS IN THE OCEAN.

9. DR. HAROLD WEBBER, GROTON BIOINDUSTRIES DEVELOPMENT
COMPANY, GROTON, MASSACHUSETTS. PHYSIOLOGIC PROBLEMS
OF SPECIES TO LATITUDE TRANSPLANTS.

10. DR. THOMAS ZARET, DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY, UNIVERSITY
OF WASHINGTON, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON. INFLUENCE OF
INTRODUCED FISH PREDATORS ON COMMUNITY STRUCTURE.

11. DR. JACK RANDALL, BISHOP MUSEUM, HONOLULU, HAWAII.
EXPERIENCES WITH COASTAL INTRODUCTION OF MARINE FISHES.

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